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Dibbis Pumps project in Kirkuk Province turned over to GoI

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The Dibbis Pump Station Project, which was completed last month by the Gulf Region North district, increases the supply of potable water to 24 million gallons daily for the citizens of Kirkuk Province. The \$8.2 million project was funded through the Commander's Emergency Response Program. As part of the project, six new vertical pumps, pictures here, were installed. (USACE photo)

KIRKUK PROVINCE, Iraq—Twenty-four million gallons of water a day is enough to more than whet the water appetite of 16 Iraqi villages, an Iraqi army training facility, a Coalition forces forward operating base, and at least part of the 776,000 residents of Kirkuk.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers completed the Dibbis Pumps project in

northern Iraq last month. The project increases the supply of potable water from 18 million gallons daily to 24 million gallons daily for thousands of Iraqi citizens and Coalition forces in the region.

Water is treated and pumped through an upgraded pump station and a newly constructed intermediate station. Six new vertical pumps were installed, an

additional ground water storage tank was built, a chlorine injection system added. Also part of the project were two new transformers, medium- and low-voltage electric lines, and tie-ins to the water mains.

The \$8.2 million project, which started more than two years ago, was completed last month and turned over to the Government of Iraq. The Dibbis Pumps project was funded through the Commander's Emergency Response Program, whereby brigade combat teams work directly with their local Iraqi community leaders to meet essential services needs.

The Gulf Region North district has completed 162 reconstruction projects in the Kirkuk Province, totaling more than \$301 million. Currently, 21 projects are ongoing, totaling \$43.9 million.

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